

HOUSE RESOLUTION 230  
By Hood

A RESOLUTION to commend the Honorable Andy Womack for  
his astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to  
specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to  
improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Andy Womack is one such estimable person who evinces  
the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Womack earned the respect and admiration of his peers and  
constituents alike while serving for twelve years as a Senator in the Tennessee General  
Assembly; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected member of the Murfreesboro community, he attended  
the University of Tennessee for three years before his studies were interrupted by the call of  
duty to his country; and

WHEREAS, Andy Womack served gallantly in the United States Army as an Infantry  
Sergeant in Vietnam and earned the Army Commendation Medal and Combat Infantryman  
Badge; he thus holds a respected position among the many heroic men and women who

throughout our nation's history have made incomparable sacrifices to protect our nation and our freedom; and

WHEREAS, after returning from Vietnam, Mr. Womack completed his undergraduate studies at Middle Tennessee State University and earned a bachelor's degree in 1970; and

WHEREAS, he entered the insurance industry in 1971, and has been an agent with State Farm Insurance for the last twenty years; he has earned a well-deserved reputation among his clientele for unquestioned honesty and reassuring reliability in all situations; and

WHEREAS, throughout his life, Mr. Womack has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

WHEREAS, he is active in numerous civic organizations, including the Optimist Club and Little League Baseball; and

WHEREAS, well known for his wise counsel and unparalleled leadership ability, he served as Chairman of the Senate Education Committee from 1994 until 2000, and he was a tireless advocate of improvements in education and veterans' affairs; and

WHEREAS, his interest in educational issues is deeply entrenched within his values; his father, Dr. Bob Womack, has been a teacher, high school principal, and professor for forty-four years, and his wife, Cherry, has been a high school teacher for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, during his Senatorial term, Andy Womack was a shining star among a galaxy of committed public servants; he was named Legislator of the Year by the Tennessee State Employees Association, County Officials Association, and Community Mental Retardation Agencies of Tennessee, and the Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities awarded him the 2000 William Baird Legislative Leadership Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Womack's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Womack is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people who life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the

consummate professional, dedicated public servant and reliable friend and neighbor in Rutherford County; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, he is an active member of the First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, where he is a Deacon and co-founded the First Step Outreach Ministry, which works with families who need help in their household with alcohol or drug addiction; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Andy Womack is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife of thirty-two years, Cherry, and he is committed to perpetuating the highest standards of family and community values; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Womack is the devoted father of a son, David, and a daughter, Dana, and the proud grandfather of one granddaughter, Molly; and

WHEREAS, he is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend the Honorable Andy Womack for his astute service to the good people of Tennessee as a former Senator and longtime public servant and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.